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Allnutt, Fournier reprimanded

Senate Committee report hands out mildest penalty

by MARK STARCWICZ and AARON BYND

Daily editors Peter Allnutt and Pierre Fournier were yesterday "reprimanded" by the Senate Committee on Student Discipline for publishing the Realist article.

Maintaining that "The Parts that Were Left Out of the Kennedy Book" was not valid satire, the Committee released an eleven page "Report and Decision of the Committee on Student Discipline in the Matter of Messrs. Peter Allnutt and Pierre Fournier".

The Committee found Allnutt and Fournier guilty of "participating in the publication on campus of an article which contravenes standards of decency acceptable by and in this University," but imposed the mildest penalty possible.

Though the Committee emphasized that "It does not view itself as a censorship board in judgement of what mature university students read or write...", it said "Messrs. Allnutt and Fournier committed a serious

The Committee declares "There is no doubt that there must be limits and bounds to all freedoms, including freedom of expression."

"An absence of boundaries, even in the use of language, can lead to serious problems, including an erosion of the standards which distinguish a civilized community."

"Language is part of culture, and the publication of vulgar, of-

and suddenly appear in front of him, the first thing Johnson would do now is kill him." She smiled sardonically, adding, "Unless Bobby beat him to it..."

Both Daily columnist Fekete and Realist editor Krassner, stated in November that they did not feel the last paragraph detracted from the article, and so "it was deleted for reasons of space".

As two execs resign...

ASUS mulls over its special status

by SAM BOSKEY

The ASUS Executive yesterday accepted the resignations of two of its members, Murray Segal and Paul Wong, and sent a set of questions and recommendations to the Students' Council concerning the Judicial Committee.

Murray Segal, second year rep resigned and will stand for re-election. His election last month had been challenged by Gary Beitel who also wished to run for the position but who was ruled ineligible by Chief Returning Officer Paul Wong.

In an eight page brief prepared by Wong, the ASUS executive suggested answers to the three questions asked.

The Judicial Committee, it claims, is not a regular committee of the Students' Society (i.e. an undergraduate society), nor is it a standing committee of the Students' Society (clubs). Since it was created by the Students' Council, it must be a Standing Committee of Council (the only remaining classification). It is, therefore, according to the constitution, subordinate to Council and therefore not capable of rendering binding decisions.



Murray Segal

WONG
resigned

Beitel petitioned the Judicial Committee which ruled in his favor condemning Wong, but the ASUS executive refused to recognize the Committee's judgement.

Beitel has announced that he, too, will contest the by-election.

In light of the forthcoming by-election, Wong resigned from his position as Chief Returning Officer, Bob Buchanan, ASUS Treasurer, replaced him. Wong will retain his position as Secretary.

The ASUS presented to the Students' Council the same three questions concerning the Judicial Committee that the Committee itself had presented to Council — 1) Are the Committee's decisions binding on Council? 2) Is the ASUS and similar bodies under Council jurisdiction? 3) Are the Committee's decisions binding on groups such as the ASUS?



BEITEL
petitioned

The brief concedes that according to the Students' Society constitution the ASUS is subordinate to the Students' Society but claims complete autonomy for the ASUS in all areas except that the ASUS must present the Students' Society a financial report once a year.

The brief was amended to recommend that the Committee's decisions be considered binding only in cases where the involved groups would agree beforehand to accept them.

The report and decision of the Senate Committee on Student Discipline is reprinted in full on page 5.

error in judgment and displayed irresponsible behaviour as editors in accepting this article for publication."

The report points out that its findings are not substantially different from those of the Judicial Committee of the Students' Society in its enquiry into Allnutt's conduct.

While noting that "We will not attempt to explore the limits of good taste and the boundaries between literature and smut..." it remarked that "references to living persons in a scurrilous and disgusting manner are inexcusable, whether or not they are actually punishable under the laws of libel or obscenity."

The Committee indicated it did not find the Realist article humorous.

"It is clear," they stated, "that the net impact of the truncated Daily version on many intelligent readers was merely one of revulsion and an impression that the author wished them to accept as truth the events described."



David Miller

DAILYITES FOURNIER AND ALLNUTT
Two months later, a slap on the wrists

fensive material, in execrable taste, may pose a threat to culture itself."

The Committee report devotes much space to the fact that one paragraph was deleted from the "Boll Weevils" reprint of the Realist Article.

The last paragraph of the original piece reads "The glaze lifted from Jacqueline Kennedy's eyes." "I don't believe that Lyndon Johnson had anything to do with a conspiracy, but I do know this — Jack taught me about the nuances of power — if he were miraculously to come back from life

The report states that one mitigating factor in determining editor Allnutt's guilt was the fact he had not seen the original article, with the final paragraph.

"In this connection," it states, "one might note that Mr. Allnutt explained that he had never seen the original Krassner article prior to publication in the Daily of the truncated version..."

On the basis of this the report concludes that "Messrs. Allnutt and Fournier did not act maliciously."

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Suggestive cartoon hurts

WOLFVILLE, N. S. (CUP) — The Realist has struck again. The Athenaeum, student newspaper at Acadia University, has been forced to change printers following refusal of the present company to reprint a cartoon taken from The Realist.

The cartoon depicts three characters representing Russia, the USA and a woman, representing the world. The USA is pointing to the USSR and saying to the girl "It's his turn now, and then me again..."

George Baker, owner-publisher of the Kentville Publishing Company, instructed his printers not to run the cartoon.

Baker contended the cartoon was "suggestive", and could hurt the image of Acadia University.

He also expressed fear of possible law suits against the printer.

Athenaeum editor Len Pace said future issues of the paper will be printed by the Free Press of Dartmouth N.S. nearly 75 miles away.

Pace contended "the printer is not the publisher and simply does not have a right to say what goes into a paper."

Earlier this year, when Baker refused to print a satire on the virgin birth, the staff printed it on gestetner sheets and hand-inserted it into the paper.

WHAT'S WHAT

SPANKY'S COMING TO THE CARNIVAL

Spanky and Our Gang and The Lemon Pipers will perform at the opening event of the Winter Carnival, the Coronation Concert, on February 12.

Tickets for the Place des Arts Gala go on sale next Wednesday at the Union Box Office.

VAMPIRE TYPES NEEDED

Blood Drive '68 is now accepting applications for the following Executive positions:

- 1st Vice-Chairman
- Vice-Chairman — Clinic
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- Executive Secretary
- Treasurer

Applications should include the student's previous experience in Blood Drive and in other activities, as well as a report of any ideas or projects he may have.

Application Forms may be obtained from the Council office and must be submitted to the Union Switchboard by 4 pm January 25th, 1968.

EMERGENCY MEETING

There will be urgent meeting of The Committee for the Establishment of a Department of Judaic Studies at 12 noon today in Hillel House.

Author advises 'niggers' to reprint his article

by CHRIS REDMOND and CHARLES SCHWEIR
Special to Canadian University Press

OTTAWA (CUP) — Jerry Farber, author of the controversial "The Student as Nigger", has urged Canadian student newspapers to reprint his article in protest.

Farber, an English lecturer at Los Angeles State College, said it should be reprinted because of the fuss caused by its publication in the Lance at the University of Windsor.

In a telephone interview, Farber said, "Very often the best response students can make to intimidation on the part of the Administration is to push together."

Asked if university papers were justified in printing the article, termed obscene by at least two Canadian university administrations, Farber said "I sort of assume that the burden of proof is on the other side."

He termed administration interference with reprinting the

Nigger story or others as "unjustified".

He said such administrations might be panicky, "or they could just be acting in the good old traditional way — to stifle or put down any attempt on the part of students to grow up."

"I think the Administration (at the University of Windsor) must be more regressive than most," he said.

"The student as Nigger" was partly responsible for the Windsor Senate committee's threat to

expel the co-editors of the Lance three weeks ago.

After campus protest and the calling of a Canadian University Press investigation, the committee agreed to stop their actions against the Lance editors.

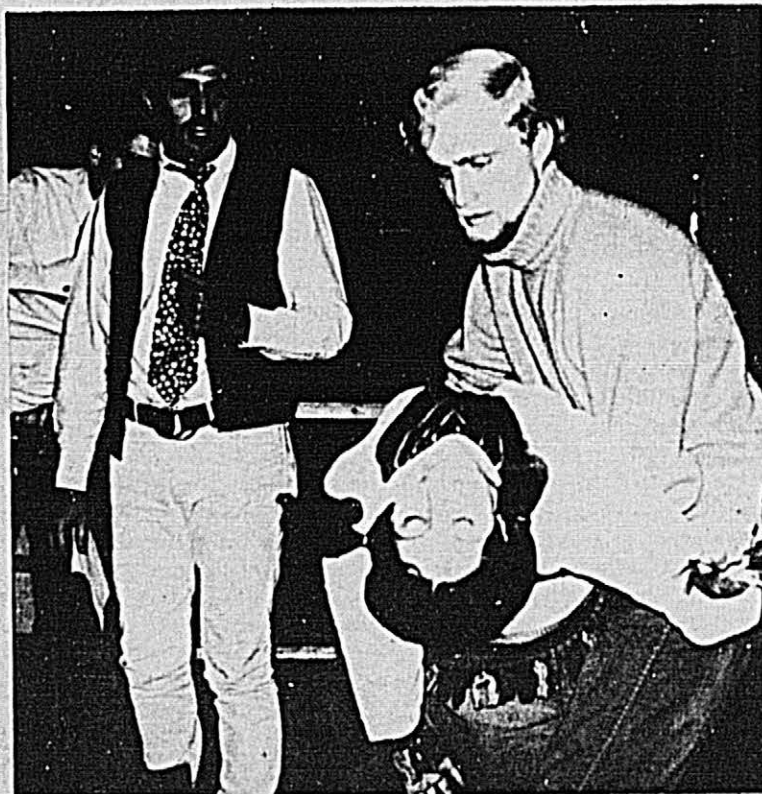
The Ubysey first reprinted the article, taken from an American underground paper, the Indian Head, in November 1967. Since then it has been reprinted in more than 10 Canadian student papers.

Farber expressed surprise that the article was the centre of controversy in Canada. He did not feel it was obscene.

"There is a kind of a leering, guilty attitude towards sex," he said. Pointing out a definition of obscenity as "sex plus guilt", Farber said, "I don't have the guilt."

"From my point of view," he said, "the form of the article is part of its content."

"We shouldn't set up a sterile atmosphere in an article of this type similar to that in the schools."



WHEN HIPPIES... These people are either rehearsing for the Red and White Revue or performing an ancient African fertility rite. We think they're practicing. The Red and White opens February 1, and runs till the tenth.

BEEF BOX

The Redpath Library has decided to reinstitute its suggestion box. Located in Tyndale Hall, it is intended for those who wish to criticize some aspect of the library's operation or to suggest changes in policy.

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The mirror crack'd from side to side and the albatross fell off; beat you harris, it's 2:34 and the copy just arrived with nick the faithful: other dilettantes daily included sandy Sam (the intermediate staff writer) joanne, gareth, morrie and Louie. Louie, apparently, is peddling a snorting size personality poster of Fournier and allnutt at their peak. Interested buyers should visit the Daily any weeknight between 1 and 2 am. It's rumoured the hundredth customer gets a free copy of ea, collard's best-seller All Our Yesteryears. Meanwhile, as Louie rakes it in, Ace goes out of business and the rodent owes me fifty cents... the other marcus.

The parts that were left out

So the curtain falls on another act of the great American comedy. Allnutt and Fournier, charged with contravening "standards of decency acceptable by and in this university" have been found guilty, slapped on the wrists, and sent home with notes to their respective mothers.

In retrospect, certain events of recent months appear, shall we say, odd, considering the Senate Committee's findings.

In November, the Principal of "this university", whose standards of decency had been contravened, stepped in because the matter was such that it could not be handled by the students ("The situation called for an examination of the students' status

in the university" — Rocke Robertson, Nov. 21, 1967). Strangely, the Senate Committee's report appears remarkably similar to that of the student Judicial Committee, and in fact, the report on one point "agrees with the findings of the Judicial Committee..." The report also quotes Allnutt's statement to the press (McGill Daily, November 6), and "agrees with this statement".

The committee's decision finds that the "standards of decency" were indeed contravened. But standards of decency, which the committee found itself competent to judge, it did not find itself competent to define when called upon to do so.

But what about columnist Fekete, who, unless the courts decide otherwise, will soon be up before the same tribunal? It would come as no surprise if Fekete got the works: it is an open secret that he has a low popu-

larity rating in administration circles; it was Fekete, and not the editors, who was the key target when charges were laid; and the committee's Allnutt-Fournier report lays great stress on some minor points which will be used as thumbscrews in Fekete's case.

The Committee found that Allnutt and Fournier acted without "ulterior motive" and hence did not act "maliciously". They were also contrite — an added plus. Fekete is not contrite — he is still fighting McGill University in the courts.

And you can't ignore the big red herring: Allnutt and Fournier, the committee reminds us, did not read the original version of the article during the week of Black Friday, the un "truncated" version. The decision to drop a paragraph was not made by them. The committee's report places tremendous emphasis on this irrelevant point. It goes so far as to quote the paragraph, and then claims that its omission "ensured that the alleged satirical intent would be totally invisible for a large number of intelligent readers..." Obvious hogwash, but wait till they bring up that one when they tighten the noose around Fekete's neck.

So the significance of the document released yesterday is clear. Loopholes are created through which Allnutt and Fournier can be nudged. Fekete's neck may be thicker. The report is just a sneak preview of what's to come. And this time they'll be playing for keeps.

Letters

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Free to leave

Sir,
Re Dean Cohen's statement in the Daily of Jan. 23: although its brevity does not permit him to fully define the role of the student in the University, his statement as a whole has our approval and support. It's about time that members of the faculty spoke out against the pressure brought against the administration by what probably is a vocal minority of the students.

The full measure of an effective education depends as much upon the attitude of the individual student as it does upon professors, lecture systems, or administrators — it is the responsibility of each student to balance what is expected of him by the University system with his personal views of what he wants from the educative process. Granted there are some unsatisfactory elements in both courses and administration, but there are also many unsavoury elements in the student body. The University must be so organized and administered as to meet the demands of the thousands instead of the few — in the words of the great What's-his-name, "...you can't please all the people all the time." Those who protest so loudly seem to expect an immediate and drastic remodelling of many aspects of the University which can only be effectively implemented gradually, outside the time limit of the transitory student. These same people seem to feel no need of re-assessing their own attitudes, and should take note of Dean Cohen's awareness of

a need for humility in the student.

The ardent dissenters, by the way, have the security of knowing that even if they do not like the educative system at McGill, they may still walk out upon the completion of their studies with the benefit of a degree that will assure them of decent jobs even if their attitudes, apart from numerical academic standing, make them undeserving of a degree.

After all, those who really don't like the university are always free to leave and make more room for those who do.

A. Bruce Weaver, BA1
Jill Gardiner, BA1

Witches' Sabbath

Sir,
Misters and Misses Burek, Georgeadis, Glowa, Johnson, LeBaron and Wright sound about as "morally enlightened" as Puritans on a Witch-hunt.

So, they don't like the Fugs. Well wow, too bad, and good for them, and who the HELL cares?

Noël Anthony Erskine
Evans I, BA II

Another T.V. show?

Sir,
As an observer of the Open Meeting of the Tripartite Commission on Tuesday, I could not help but detect an atmosphere which causes me to doubt the sincerity of the proceedings.

The three student representatives all tried, indeed succeeded ably, in pointing out many of the problems bothering students: the place of the university in respect to society, the student-teacher relationship, the values of a university, and so on.

The attitude of the administration was puzzling. Although the commission would appear

to be tackling the root of university problems we must realise that the commission was set up in a time of crisis to appease the student body. By calling open meetings under pressure, the commission is displaying its "openness, fairness" etc. Yet while reading Dean Cohen's quotation in the Daily of Tuesday, I can't help wondering why the committee bothers to meet at all.

Dean Cohen summed up the situation admirably by saying that the philosophical nature of the university cannot be discussed by several "Incompetent" people over a period of a few days; instead, he said, it would be better to concentrate on examining the structure of the university. He is probably, though regrettably right. The committee, as long as it is made up of people who are not in the mood for change, or discussion of change, will never get anywhere. They are incompetent to deal with a matter if their minds have already been made up against it.

Dean Cohen should realise that in a university, as well as in a law, the philosophy behind it determines the structure and not the other way around. Structures in themselves, no matter how many times they are modified, will not alter the situation unless the decisions to alter are made from an overall plan of what really is desired.

It is nice to see an open meeting; it is nice to hear the administrators and faculty discuss matters intelligently, without being forced to by mobs of sit-inners. However, nothing can possibly come out of the commission unless all its members realise that the work that they are supposed to do has to be done. Students will realize very soon if the commission

only intends to be an entertaining show, designed to demonstrate a spirit of friendliness and sincerity which is lacking.

Sam Boskey

Give it back

Sir,
Those of you who attended the dance and light show last Saturday, the 20th, saw a sign at the door belonging to the Albert Falley Blues Band. The sign was in the form of a pair of inverted lips with Albert Falley written on it between the red and green stripes. At 1:00 AM Sunday morning while we were still playing the sign was purloined.

The sign took two of us approximately 25 hours to produce, and was intended for permanent use, and, more important, we value it greatly.

A reward of some several groovy gifts is offered for information as to its whereabouts which may be phoned to 937-1515.

The sign may be left at the Students' Society Offices on the first floor of the Union with no questions asked.

We are glad you enjoyed the sign but we (the 8 of us) would be all sorts of happy if you return it.

The Albert Falley Blues Band

It goes without saying that we too would like to see the sign returned as the group was at McGill on our invitation.

Ian Rose
(MSQA 1968)

Allnutt...

(Continued from page 1)

The Committee emphasizes that their report and decision relate only to Allnutt and Fournier "and are without prejudice

to the Committee's findings or actions in the matter of Mr. John Fekete..."

Fekete's case has been deferred by the Committee, pending a Superior Court of Appeals decision on his case.

Editors comment

Supplement Editor Pierre Fournier labelled the decision "an attempt to balance pressure from students, and faculty, on one hand, business and the mass media, on the other hand — it was a political decision."

He termed the idea that the unpublished paragraph would have changed the effect of the article "absurd."

"I find it appalling and dishonest," he went on, "that they did not define the standard of decency which formed the bases of their judgment."

"The Committee had no choice in finding us guilty or not guilty. If they had found us not guilty, it would have been a vote of non-confidence in Principal Robertson and would have destroyed the solidarity of the university."

"If the Committee is intellectually honest, there is no way it can come to any other decision in the case of John Fekete."

Daily Editor-in-Chief Peter Allnutt pointed out that "the Senate Committee echoed the Student Committee's decision and it is clear that if the Administration had let students manage their own affairs, there would have been little difference in the outcome."

"One point puzzles me," he said. "On the one hand the committee says it is not a censorship board, and on the other it says that this article was indecent and unacceptable."

"Figure that one out."

The report which reprimands

1. Introduction

On November 4th, 1967, the Principal, as chief disciplinary officer at the University (1.2),* referred John Fekete, Peter Allnutt and Pierre Fournier, three students in their fourth and final year of undergraduate studies at McGill, to the Committee on Student Discipline. The original charge read as follows:

'Participating in the publication of an obscene libel on the campus on or about the 3rd November, 1967; namely an article in the column entitled "Boll Weevils" appearing on page 4 of the supplement called "Flux" of the McGill Daily of that date, the whole contrary to good order and incompatible with your status as a student of this University.'

The original charge was dropped on November 7th, 1967, and on that date the following charge was placed before the Committee:

'Participating in the publication on campus of an article which contravenes standards of decency acceptable by and in this University: namely, an article in the column entitled "Boll Weevils" appearing on page 4 of the supplement called "Flux" of the McGill Daily of November 3rd 1967, the whole incompatible with your status as a student of this University.'

The first meeting of this Committee was called for Tuesday, November 7th. Unfortunately, such a meeting could not be held at that time because the Committee was physically prevented from convening. Accordingly the meeting was postponed to Monday, November 13th. On that date the Committee agreed to a request by the parties concerned that separate hearings should be conducted for John Fekete, on the one hand, and for Peter Allnutt and Pierre Fournier on the other. The present report concerns only two of the three students, namely, Peter Allnutt and Pierre Fournier.

* References in parentheses are to sections of the Code of Student Disciplinary Procedures which was approved by Senate at its meeting on December 22nd, 1965.

2. The Problem

An article entitled "The Parts That Were Left Out of the Kennedy Book" appeared on pages 1 and 18 of Issue No. 74 of *The Realist* in May 1967. *The Realist* is a monthly publication of the Realist Association with its publication office in New York City. *The Realist* purports to be a satirical journal and to use its own words "Irreverence is our only sacred cow". At the beginning of the article in question the reader is told that what follows consists of portions of the original manuscript of William Manchester's book "The Death of a President" and that these portions did not appear in the book as published by Harper & Row or in the condensations in a number of popular magazines. Subsequently, Mr. Paul Krassner, the editor of *The Realist*, admitted that he had authored the article "The Parts That Were Left Out of the Kennedy Book" as satire.

The editor of the McGill Daily in 1967-68 is Mr. Peter Allnutt. During this year the editor and his managing board have sponsored a supplement called *Flux* in the Friday issues of the McGill Daily. Mr. Pierre Fournier is

editor of the *Flux* supplement. One of the features in *Flux* has been a weekly column "Boll Weevils" under the by-line of Mr. John Fekete. On Friday, November 3rd, the material which appeared in the column "Boll Weevils" was taken from Krassner's article. There were three main differences between the article which appeared in *The Realist* and the article which formed the "Boll Weevils" column. The first was in format and may have been motivated by a desire to use less space—a number of short paragraphs in *The Realist* version were combined into longer paragraphs in the McGill Daily. The second difference is that in the Daily version two sections were omitted—six sentences from the first third of the article and the final paragraph consisting of three sentences. The third was the presence throughout *The Realist*, and even on the page containing the article in question, of cartoons and other clear evidence of satirical intent.

3. The Hearing

Prior to the Committee meeting of November 13th the Chairman of the Committee, Vice-Principal Winkler, and another member of the Committee, Vice-Principal Oliver, voluntarily withdrew from the investigation because they had been involved in the administrative decisions which resulted in the placing of the charge before the Committee. Another member of the Committee, Professor R.M. Gill, was unable to attend a subsequent session on November 16th. It had been decided that it would be improper for a member of the Committee who had not attended all the meetings at which testimony was heard to participate in the proceedings and so Professor Gill was compelled to withdraw from the investigation at that time. From November 13th Professor P. Meyer acted as Chairman of the Committee. Other members of the Committee who participated in this investigation were Professors S.M. Banfill, R.I. Brawn, M. Horowitz, J. McCutcheon, Helen R. Neilson, Helen C. Reynolds, H.D. Woods and H.H. Yates. Dean C.D. Solin served the Committee as non-voting Secretary.

The meeting of November 13th was procedural in nature. The two students, through their adviser, Mr. Marvin Schechter, requested that the hearing be public in nature. The Committee rejected this request for a number of reasons, including the possibility of interference with the proceedings by spectators. Each of the students was authorized, however, to be accompanied by two advisers. Before the second session (on November 16th) the University offered the use of its closed circuit television facilities to the Committee. This offer was communicated to Messrs. Allnutt and Fournier, both of whom accepted it. Consequently these facilities were used for the duration of hearing and the proceedings were transmitted to a large screen in Room 132 of the Leacock Building, with a seating capacity of nearly 700 persons.

Subsequent sessions at which the students participated were held on November 16th, 21st and 23rd, and on December 5th. On each of these days the session lasted approximately three hours. Members of the Committee were able to question Messrs. Allnutt and Fournier as well as their advisers, and vice versa. The proceedings were conducted in an informal manner and all the participants were able to make any statement or contribution that they wished.

On several occasions Messrs. Allnutt and Fournier were asked whether they wished the Committee to hear any other persons and on each occasion the offer of the Committee to do so was declined.

For the duration of the hearing Messrs. Allnutt and Fournier remained students of the University and on the staff of the McGill Daily. Neither the Principal (3.1) nor the Committee (8.8) placed either student on administrative suspension.

In addition to representations by the two students and their advisers, a number of faculty members at the University requested a delay in the hearing so that they could submit briefs. While the Committee was concerned with acting as expeditiously as possible it did adjourn for twelve days, between November 23rd and December 5th, in order to permit these interested faculty members to make submissions.*

* (The Code requires that any postponement in a hearing be for not more than seven days (4.3). Messrs. Allnutt and Fournier consented in writing to the longer postponement in this case.)

4. Findings

Many issues have been raised at the University and in the wider community since November 3rd, 1967, and reference to some of these issues was made at the hearing and in briefs submitted to the Committee. Is Krassner's article satire? Is it acceptable and in good taste? Can such a judgment be made? Should such a judgment be attempted? Is the article a criminal or a civil libel under our law? Is it obscene within the meaning of our criminal code? To what extent should the administration take the initiative with regard to an incident involving publications in the student newspaper? What is the legitimate role of the Students' Council or other student bodies in such matters? Should the Code of Student Disciplinary Procedures be supplemented by a code of substantive offences? Should the composition of the Committee on Student Discipline be modified? Should there be student representation on the important institutions at the University, including Senate and its Committee on Student Discipline?

These are some of the very important questions which have been raised in recent weeks. Individual members of the Committee, along with others in the University community, have considered all of these issues and may have representations to make with respect to some of them at the appropriate time and place. For the purposes of the present enquiry, however, we have attempted to concentrate solely on those issues which relate directly to the matter placed before us. The Committee interprets its function as being to determine whether the participation of Messrs. Allnutt and Fournier in the publication of the article in question should expose them to sanctions under the Code of Student Disciplinary Procedures because the said article contravenes standards of decency acceptable by and in this University. In the view of the Committee the words "the whole incompatible with your status as a student of this University" contained in the charge, relate to the unacceptability of the participation of students in such publications and do not refer to the kind of penalty which might be imposed for such participation.

Whether or not the article, as it appeared in *The Realist*, is acceptable

literature was not the question before the Committee. Nor has the Committee answered the question as to whether publication of this article would be in good taste if it appeared in other periodicals or journals. What has been of concern to the Committee is the publication of a condensed version by students of the University in the supplement of the McGill Daily on November 3rd, 1967.

Some of the briefs submitted to the Committee deal specifically with the problem of obscene and scatological material included in literary works of accepted quality, particularly those with a satirical intent. Others described the use of the "put-on" as a literary device designed to trap the reader into believing something which is manifestly absurd. This type of argument may possibly be relevant to the original publication of the article in *The Realist* at the height of the controversy over the Manchester book and in the United States where the details surrounding the death of President Kennedy had a tremendous significance and had aroused an intense feeling. However, as one of the briefs points out, "to reprint it half a year after the real furore over the Manchester book, and in a country which has never taken the same kind of interest as the U.S. in the assassination, is certainly to increase the chances that the satirist's purpose will fail". The Committee goes further than this. The deletions from the Krassner article made in the "Boll Weevils" column ensured that the alleged original satirical intent would be totally invisible for a large number of intelligent readers of the McGill Daily. In particular it might be instructive to quote in its entirety the final paragraph of the original article, which lent some credence to the satirist's subsequently stated purpose, and which was excised in the Daily version:

'The glaze lifted from Jacqueline Kennedy's eyes. "I don't believe that Lyndon Johnson had anything to do with a conspiracy, but I do know this—Jack taught me about the nuances of power—if he were miraculously to come back to life and suddenly appear in front of him, the first thing Johnson would do now is kill him." She smiled sardonically, adding "Unless Bobby beat him to it."'

It is clear that the net impact of the truncated Daily version on many intelligent readers was merely one of revulsion and an impression that the author wished them to accept as truth the events described.

On several occasions the two students, speaking independently and also through their major adviser, Mr. Schechter, indicated that they accepted responsibility for the publication of the article and that they regretted their decisions which resulted in the appearance of the article in the McGill Daily. Mr. Allnutt pointed out that he had read the Fekete article earlier in the week and had agreed to its publication. However, as soon as he saw it in the Daily during the morning of November 3rd, he realized that its publication was an error. Mr. Fournier also realized that a mistake had been made, but his doubts developed after the initial reaction of students, of others in the University community, and of the general public. Both students have in fact admitted the failure of an alleged satirical intent in the article's republication.

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The report . . .

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The Committee is aware of the statement issued over Mr. Allnutt's signature which was released to the press media during the evening of November 3 and which appeared in the November 6 issue of the *McGill Daily*. In the official press release, Mr. Allnutt stated in part that:

The material presented in the *McGill Daily* column "Boll Weevils" on Friday, November 3, 1967, reprinted from *The Realist*, was at no time intended to be credible. It was printed as a political, social and literary satire.

However, it should not have appeared in the *McGill Daily*. We are not trying to shirk responsibility for having published the material. An error in judgment was made; the article was considered in the context of *The Realist* and when it came out in our newspaper we realized that it had no place therein.

The Committee agrees with this statement. What may be argued by some as being acceptable in a journal with a reputation for a particular approach to reality, at a time when Manchester's book was a major topic of conversation by the readers of that journal, and in the milieu of the United States, is inappropriate in the *McGill Daily*. In the wider community it is accepted that what may possibly be permissible in a satirical review or in a literary journal is not necessarily suitable for a daily newspaper. It may be significant to note that in covering this news story, the daily press did not reprint, in whole or in part, the material in the "Boll Weevils" column. While in a University setting it is difficult to be precise as to what is and what is not suitable for a student daily newspaper, throughout the years groups of students at this University have found it necessary to establish particular kinds of journals and periodicals as vehicles for their creative experimentation containing material unsuitable for publication in the *McGill Daily*. By this device these students have avoided the problem presented by the fact

that the *McGill Daily* is the paper of all the students and is made possible by enforced subscription. That which may be acceptable in one kind of a literary journal, even one published in a university community, may be totally unacceptable in a daily student newspaper or a supplement thereof.

In the opinion of the Committee, Messrs. Allnutt and Fournier committed a serious error in judgment and displayed irresponsible behaviour as editors in accepting this article for publication. In this respect the Committee agrees with the findings of the Judicial Committee of the Students' Society in its enquiry into the conduct of Mr. Allnutt.

At the present time the Committee has no evidence before it to indicate that these two students had any ulterior motives in the publication of the condensed version of the Krassner article and the Committee therefore finds that Messrs. Allnutt and Fournier did not act maliciously. In this connection one might note that Mr. Allnutt explained that he had never seen the original Krassner article prior to the publication in the *Daily* of the truncated version and that Mr. Fournier testified that he had not seen the original article since having read it several months earlier in *The Realist*.

The Committee emphasizes that it does not view itself as a censorship board in judgment of what mature university students read or write, either within or outside the University community. The Committee wants to make very clear, however, its disapproval of the publication of the article in question in the *Flux* supplement of the November 3rd, 1967, issue of the *McGill Daily* for the reasons stated above.

There is no doubt that there must be limits and bounds to all freedoms, including freedom of expression. An absence of boundaries, even in the use of language, can lead to serious problems, including an erosion of the standards which distinguish a civilised community. Language is part of culture, and the publication of offensive, vulgar material, in execrable taste, may pose a threat to culture itself. We will not attempt to explore the limits of good taste and the boundaries between literature and smut, except to state that the article in question may be devoid of literary merit, whatever the satirical intent may have been. The absence of redeeming literary qualities is compounded by the harm and damage, real and potential, to the University, to the members of the Kennedy and Johnson families, and others. The publication of the article shows an appalling insensitivity and a deplorable lack of empathy and consideration for the feelings of other persons, not only those directly mentioned but large numbers of the normal community of readers of the *McGill Daily*. References to living persons in a scurrilous and disgusting manner are inexcusable, whether or not they are actually punishable under the laws of libel or obscenity. There should be great freedom to express ideas, but the manner in which these ideas may be expressed should not necessarily be without constraints imposed by society. In view of what has been said above, the Committee has come to the conclusion that the publication of this article in the *Daily* does, in fact, contravene standards of decency appropriate to and acceptable to the University community.

In the Committee's view the publication of the article in the *McGill Daily* may be easily distinguished from its subsequent publication in other student journals such as the University of Toronto's "Varsity" and the University of Montreal's "Quartier Latin". Such publication took place in an entirely different context and for different purposes, after the retraction by the editor of the *McGill Daily* and when the fictional and alleged satirical nature of the article was widely known.

In considering what penalty to impose, the Committee has taken into account the submissions made to it orally on behalf of the students and in writing by members of the staff. It has also considered the changing and conflicting climate of opinion in regard to standards of decency, the retraction published by the *Daily*, the explanations made to the Committee by the students, and the possible alternatives in disposing of the case provided in the Code of Student Disciplinary Procedures (4.8 and 8.5). Having regard to all the circumstances, the Committee's decision is to reprimand Messrs. Allnutt and Fournier (4.8.4 and 8.4) for their role in the publication of the article in the *McGill Daily*.

The present report and decision of the Committee relate only to the conduct of Messrs. Allnutt and Fournier and are without prejudice to the Committee's findings or action in the matter of Mr. John Fekete, which has not yet been considered by the Committee.

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Kemp scores two but Laval trim Redmen 6-4

by SEYMOUR KAUFMAN

The hockey Redmen, failing twice to capitalize on two-man-advantage situations, succumbed 6-4 to the onslaught of the Laval Rouge et Or last night at the Winter Stadium.

The Redmen at one point were behind 3-0 as Laval roared on to the lead on goals by Rossald Morency, Normand Cote and Marcel Lapointe. However the Red and White rallied on the heroes of the second line of Harry Griffiths, Skip Kerner and George Kemp who scored one, one and two goals respectively. Guy Morel sandwiched in a marker just before the end of the second period.

The Rouge et Or salted the game away just after Kemp had

tied the game for the Redmen as Lapointe beat goalie Dave Craig for the second time in the evening. The acrobatics of Laval goalie Jacques Audy kept the Redmen, who attempted seventeen shots on nets in the final twenty minutes, off the scoreboard and Benoit Gravel put the icing on the cake with a goal two minutes from the final siren.

Disappointing night

Head coach Dave Copp was chagrined after the defeat but he felt his team "played well".

"We skated hard, were on them all night, forced them to make mistakes but in the end we have about three lapses and they win the game. Skippy (Kerner) played a hell of a game and Dave (Craig) played well also in spite of the six goals he let in. But we didn't capitalize on our opportunities that's all" said Copp.

G.B. Maughan, who played one of his best games of the season against his former team blamed inconsistency as the Redmen's downfall.

"We just can't seem to get together. When one line is going the other lines aren't and then we suffer these lapses and it's all over. We're not thinking hockey out there."

The Redmen had better start thinking about winning a game or two as the powerful McMaster Marlin's are coming to town Saturday night.

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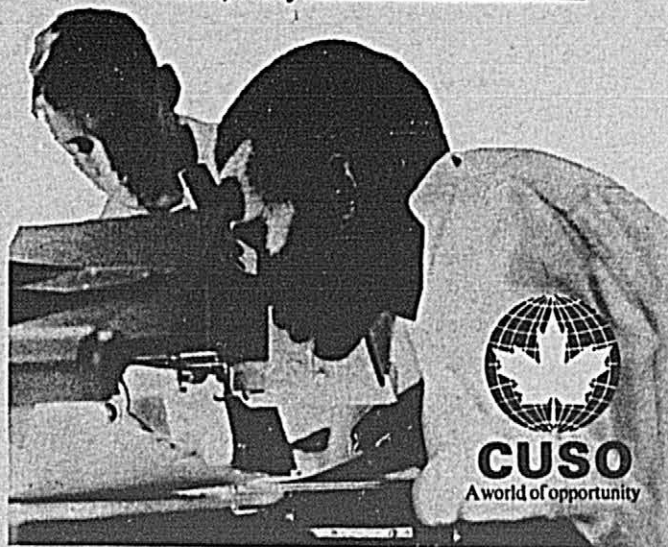
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Students from across Quebec demonstrated in Quebec City Tuesday, protesting the education ministry's mishandling of student loans. The demonstrators rallied at the Plains of Abraham after which they marched to the Parliament Buildings (above and at right). While UGEQ officials met with Education Minister Jean-Guy Cardinal (shown addressing the press at left), the crowd circled the Parliament Buildings (below) and attempted to enter the legislature.

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